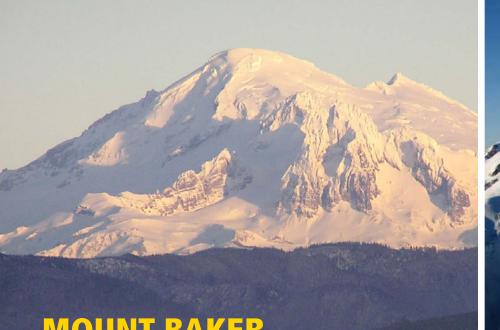
# Are You Ready for An Eruption?



The most recent eruption occurred in 1843. A reheating in 1975 reminded local people of the volcano's potential to erupt again. On cold clear days that follow vapor causes a steam plume.

A massive eruption 13,000 years ago

eruption of Mount St. Helens. Ash from

was ten-times larger than the 1980

this eruption has been found in peat

### **ICE-COVERED VOLCANOES** ARE HAZARDOUS DURING ERUPTIONS

Mount Baker dominates the skyline of northwestern Washington and southwestern British Columbia. Glacier Peak is mostly hidden from view. Both volcanoes have erupted in recent centuries and will erupt again, disrupting the landscape and the lives of people downstream and downwind.

# Get to know the eruption hazards:

Lahars (volcanic mudflows), caused by melting of snow and ice, can flow for tens of miles down valleys.

Ash fall, even during small eruptions, can disrupt air and ground transportation and dust our forests, farms, and towns with gritty rock fragments.

#### **DURING AN ERUPTION, EXPECT:**

**Mount Baker** ► Lahars and some ash fall.

**Glacier Peak** ► Lahars and the possibility of substantial ash fall.

**USGS monitoring networks can provide warning.** Future eruptions will be preceded by days or more of increased earthquakes and, possibly, by measurable swelling of the volcano and increased emission of volcanic gases.

There are 5 active volcanoes in Washington State. Be prepared.

Get more information and learn about volcano hazards that might affect your family.

# Ready,

#### **LIVE SAFELY**









- work, and commute. Make a plan. Identify
- evacuation routes and shelter above valley floors. Assemble emergency
- supplies and a plan to reunite.
- Share your plans with family, neighbors, and

## Set, **STAY INFORMED: LISTEN TO OFFICIAL SOURCES**







**Broadcasts.**  All Hazards **NOAA** Weather Radio.

**Notification Service.** 

- U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Volcano
- - ▼ For lahars, quickly go to high ground above the valley floor.

## Go!

**WHEN A LAHAR WARNING IS ISSUED, MOVE OFF VALLEY FLOORS THAT COULD BE AT RISK** 



- Evacuate by vehicle or on foot to high ground 50 feet or more above valley floors.
- If you are safe from lahars and ash is falling, seek shelter in a building or vehicle.



While an eruption or lahar might not happen in our lifetime,

**PYROCLASTIC** 

(VOLCANIC MUDFLOW)

Indian Tribe

Darrington

Granite Falls

Fork Nooksack River

Sack River

Mount

Baker

Nooksack

Sedro-

Mount

Goodwin

Vernon

Stanwood Stillaguamish

**Tulali** 

Everett •

Big Lake

Marysville

Ferndale

Anacortes

Oak

Harbor

Conne

Freeland

Skagit Bay

**PUGET** 

SOUND

Indian Tribe



North

LUNITED STATES-CANADA BORDER

**Newhalem** 

Marblemount



Lahars (volcanic mudflows) travel down valleys from the volcano and can reach closest populated areas within one hour.

Flanks of volcano are subject to all hazards.

CHELAN

SKAGIT SNOHOMISH;

Glacier

Peak  $\triangle$ 10,541' (3,213 m)

River

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